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TEXAS MAN INDICTED FOR COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Campbell, Texas, man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for copyright infringement.

Randy Andy Botts, 49, of Campbell, was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Springfield.

The federal indictment alleges that **Botts** infringed a copyright for the purpose of commercial advantage and private financial gain and reproduced and distributed 10 or more copies of copyrighted works having a total retail value of more than \$2,500 between Feb. 6, 2003, and July 24, 2003, in Jasper County, Mo. The copyrighted material includes embroidery designs, illustrations, and text, the indictment alleges.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Rose A. Barber. The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Graves cautioned that the charge contained in the indictment is simply an accusation and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charge must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

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